



REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

**DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY**  
**HEADQUARTERS, 19TH THEATER SUPPORT COMMAND**  
**UNIT #15015**  
**APO AP 96218-5015**

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SUBJECT: Command Policy Letter #29 - 19th TSC Base Level Commercial Equipment (BCE)

1. REFERENCES.

- a. AR 71-32, Chapter 6, Section XI, and Appendix E-6.
- b. Federal Logistics Compact Disc (Supply Bulletin 700-20, Chapter 6).
- c. DFAS-IN Manual 37-100-XX, Chapter AO-2035.

2. PURPOSE. To provide guidance on how to develop BCE requirements for submission to this headquarters, and on to Eighth Army and DA.

3. APPLICABILITY. This policy memorandum applies to all 19th TSC staff and subordinate units.

4. BCE Defined.

- a. Generally non-standard, off-the-shelf equipment.
- b. Authorized by Table of Distribution Allowance (TDA).
- c. Can be used in stand-alone mode and not lose its identity on application.
- d. Cost is at or above threshold of \$100,000.
- e. Is not centrally managed or purchased.
- f. Is considered recurring and generic in nature.

5. Examples of BCE requirements or replacements:

- a. Engineering equipment.
- b. Recreation equipment.

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- c. Kitchen equipment.
- d. Laundry equipment.
- e. Grounds maintenance equipment.
- f. Materiel handling equipment.

6. GENERAL POLICY.

- a. The BCE Program allows US Army General Operating Agencies which are primarily OMA funded to obtain investment end items. The funds used to obtain these items are from Other Procurement Army (OPA) and are available for three years but should be expeditiously obligated, preferably in the first year.
- b. Reference 1a provides a list of Army approved BCE items and are identified in the "Type Item" column as "BCE MAPP" (MACOM approved). Items not identified but meeting BCE criteria may be purchased if a request for Type Classification Exemption (TCE) is accomplished and TDA/JTA authorization is obtained. Reference 1b provides additional guidance.
- c. The 19th TSC staff and subordinate commands will limit BCE requirements to three. All requirements will be submitted with justifications included to the 19th HQ RM. For resubmission of old requirements, commands will ensure the equipment is still a valid requirement and vendor cost and availability are current.
- d. Any situation outside the above parameters, e.g., MTOE item that is not available/suitable for mission, should be so identified.

7. The following specifically regulated BCE items are excluded from the MAPP and require DA approval for inclusion in TDA:

- a. Micrographic equipment.
- b. Nonstandard automated filing equipment.
- c. Office copying equipment.
- d. Test, measurement, and diagnostic equipment.
- e. Non-systems training devices.

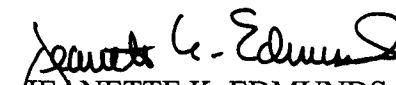
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8. RESPONSIBILITY. The 19th TSC staff and subordinate Commanders will ensure all requirements submitted are in accordance with this policy.

9. SUPERSESSION. This memorandum supersedes Policy Memo 21-99, 9 November 1999.

10. The point of contact is Resource Management at 768-7701.

  
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